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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): A DEVICE FOR AUTOMATICALLY PRODUCING AN OPENING OR  
CAVITY IN THE SIDE OF A CERAMIC PRODUCT DURING MOLDING A  
MOULD

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- 30 pages of Specification/Claims 1-55/Abstract are attached.
- Formal drawings (Figs. 1-4; 2 sheets) are attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- An assignment of the invention to Sacmi Cooperativa Meccanici Imola Soc. Coop. ar.l. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
- Priority of foreign application No. 01830519.3 filed August 3, 2001 in European is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	55 - 20	= 35
INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0
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SMALL ENTITY
RATE
\$ 370
x 9 =
x 42 =
+140 =
TOTAL

LARGE ENTITY
RATE
\$ 740
x 18 =
x 84 =
+280 =
TOTAL

- Check No. 329170 in the amount of \$1,410.00 (\$1,370.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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